

Amendments to the Specification:

Please delete the paragraph found at page 2, lines 17 through 23, and replace with the following paragraph:

- 5 An apparatus for use in a drill string is disclosed. The apparatus includes a core assembly having a first and second transverse bore, and wherein the core assembly has a first end and a second end. The apparatus further includes first piston means, disposed within the first and said second transverse bore, for closing an internal longitudinal bore of the core assembly, and wherein the first end of the core assembly is connected to the drill string and the
- 10 second end is operatively connected to a drill string pivoting member which may be a swivel, or top drive ~~or the like~~.

Please delete the paragraph found at page 25, lines 13 through 23, and replace with the following paragraph:

- 15 In the embodiment shown in Figure 18, the operator can exert a pull force, rotational force, perform longitudinal movement of the work string and other operations due to the novel design herein described. It should be noted that while Figure 18 depicts the assembly 150 used with a swivel 14, the assembly 150 can be used in a multitude of different applications. For instance, the assembly 150 can be placed below a top drive unit separated by a joint of pipe.
- 20 The top drive will act like a swivel, when you set the slips and use the assembly 150 to close off the well and break out above the assembly 150. It is to be understood that as used in this application, a drill string pivoting member can be a swivel, top drive, or similar device. It is to be understood that as used in this application, a drill string pivoting member can be a swivel, or top drive ~~or similar device~~. Hence, due to the novel features of the assembly 150, the assembly can
- 25 be used in a multitude of applications.